A meeting of the Board of Public Works was held in the Executive Office at noon to-day.

Present: Governor Crothers, Comptroller Mening, and Treasurer Vandiver, this being the first meeting of the new Board.

The reading of the minutes of the last meeting were dispensed with. The Secretary of the Board, Oswald Tilghman, stated that since the last meeting of the Board, by direction of the President, he had prepared a report and presented a copy thereof to the Senate and one to the House of Delegates in compliance with the requirements of Sec. 4, of Chapter 319 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1904, entitled "Public Printer", The Secretary asked that this report be spread upon the minutes, and it was so ordered.

"Annapolis, Maryland, January 7, 1908. Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Delegates:

In compliance with the requireements of section 4 of chapter 319 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1904, entitled "Public Printer," the Board of Public Works respectfully reports as follows:

That the advertisement prescribed by and specifically set forth in said Act was duly publised in the Baltimore Sun, Evening News and German Correspondent, in compliance with law and as a result of said publications the following bids were received, each accompanied by the bond required by the said Act:

Walker, Doolittle & Co.,	\$59,500.00
Lowenthal Advertising & Art Co.,	24,000.00
Evening Capital,	20,000.00
Pearre Crowl Company,	19,500.06
Wm. B. Usilton & Sons,	18,400.00
George W. King Printing Co.,	17,990.00
Howard Melvin & Co.,	22,500.00
Meyer & Thalheimer,	21,000.00

That on August 28th, 1907, the above bids were opened by the Board of Public Works, and, it appearing that George W. King Printing Company, was the lowest responsible bidder, the Board awarded said contract to said bidder and the following contract was entered into by and between the said Board of Public Works and the said George W. King Printing Company, in duplicate.

ARTICLE OF AGREEMENT, made and concluded this first day of November, A. D., nineteen hundred and seven, by and between the Board of Public Works of the State of Maryland of the first part, and George W. King Printing Company, of Baltimore City, of the second part:

WITNESSETH, That, Whereas, the said party of the second part, has transmitted to the party of the first part, a bid, based upon specifications furnished for the printing for the General Assembly of Maryland at their next ensuing Session, in pursuance of the provisions of Article 78 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland as repealed and re-enacted by Chapter 319 of the Acts of 1904, a copy of which said bid, is hereto annexed and is hereby made a part of these presents - the party of the first part, having, at a meeting held on the second day of October, A. D., 1907, awarded the contract for said printing to the party of the second part, they having been the lowest bidder therefor, at the price stipulated in said bid, to-wit, \$17,990.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises, the said party of the second part covenants and agrees to do the printing required by the provisions of the aforesaid Article 78 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland as repealed and re-enacted by Chapter 319 of the Acts of 1904 to be done for the General Assembly of Maryland at its next ensuing Session, and which is particularly enumerated in the first Section of said Article 78 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, that is to say, that the amount of printing hereby contracted for is:

Four thousand copies of the Governor's Message in English.

Five hundred copies of the Governor's Message in German.

Three thousand copies of the reports of the Comptroller of the Treasury.

One thousand copies of the reports of the State Treasurer.

One thousand copies of the reports of the Adjutant General.

Two thousand copies of the school reports.

One thousand copies of the reports of the Insurance Commissioner.

One thousand copies of the reports of the Commissioner of the Land Office.

Two thousand copies of the reports of the State Board of Health.

Two thousand copies of the reports of the Chief of the Bureau of

Statistics and Information, one thousand of which shall be dis-

tributed by the printer to the labor organizations of the State.

One thousand copies of the report of the State Fish Commissioners.

AND all of the aforesaid shall be printed and bound in paper; and the printer shall send to the Librarian five hundred copies of each of the reports in the manner said reports have heretofore been bound, to be bound.

One thousand copies of the daily Journal of the Senate, 100 copies folded, ready for files, balance folded and ready for mailing.

One thousand copies of the daily Journal of the House of Delegates,
300 copies folded, balance wrapped and ready for mailing.

Five hundred of each of which shall be revised and corrected and printed in proper form for binding.

Three hundred copies of each of the Senate bills, 100 folded, ready for the files.

Three hundred copies of each of the House bills, 200 folded, ready for the files.

Two thousand year and mays for the use of the House of Delegates.

Two thousand year and mays for the use of the Senate.

Two hundred copies of the rules and orders for the use os the Senate.

Including parliamentary law and usage and practice of the Senate,
as now appended to the present rules of the Senate. The above
rules and orders to be printed and bound in paper.

Two hundred copies of the rules and orders for the use of the House of Delegates.

Four hundred copies of the list of members of both houses.

Two hundred lists of Senate Committees for the use of the Senate:

Three hundred lists of the House Committees for the use of the House of Delegates.

Fifteen hundred copies of the Acts and Resolutions which may be passed by the Senate and House of Delegates at the said ensuing session, to be bound in law sheep.

All of the reports hereinbefore enumerated and the rules and orders hereinbefore referred to shall be printed on rag stock paper, and the copies of the Acts and Resolutions shall also be printed on rag stock paper, with marginal notes, and the Governor's Message, the report of the Comptroller of the Treasury, the State Treasurer's report, the report of the Adjutant General, the State school report, the report of the Insurance Commissioner, the report of the State Board of Health and the report of the State Fish Commissioner shall also be printed on rag stock paper, twenty four inches by thirty-

eight inches, fifty pounds to the ream, sized and calendared, the size of the pages to be regular octavo, and the type used shall be long primer for the body of all the various reports and brevier for the tabular statements; the Acts and Resolutions shall be printed in small pica type; and the bills for each house shall be printed and returned within thirty-six hours after the receipt of the same by said printer; and the journals for each house, for each day printed by said printer, shall also be delivered within twenty-four hours from the receipt of the same by the printer. Said bids shall also include all other matters not hereinbefore specified at the prices hereinafter enumerated which may be ordered to be printed by the General Assembly, or either house thereof, at said ensuing session; and which bids shall stipulate for doing the work so bid for in a good and workmanlike manner; and all printing not enumerated shall be in usual octavo or bill folio pages, as the General Assembly or either house thereof may expressly order, and shall be paid for, whether plain or tabulated, at the price of one dollar and fifty cents per page, octavo, per thousand, long primer type, and two dollars and fifty cents per page, bill folio, for the first thousand copies printed of either, and at the rate of thirty-three per cent less for each additional thousand copies; but no printing not hereinbefore enumerated shall be paid for unless upon an order stating the cost of the same and passed by a year and nay vote of either the Senate or House.

So much of said printing as shall be necessary for the General Assembly during its Session shall be delivered to the presiding officers of each house, and such presiding officer shall give or cause to be given to the printer a receipt for all printed matter delivered to the respective branches of the Legislature.

And the said party of the first part acting for the State of Maryland in pursuance of the provisions of the fourth Section of Article 78 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland as repealed and re-enacted by Chapter 319 of the Acts of 1904, hereby covenants and agrees for the State of Maryland to pay to the said party of the second part, in the manner and at the times stated in said fourth Section of said Article 78 of the Code, the prices mentioned in these presents and also enumerated in the bid of the party of the second part for the printing herein contracted for and agreed

'to be done as aforesaid.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the parties to these presents have, the day and year first herein mentioned set their respective hands and seals to this and to a like instrument of even tenor and date..

Witness as to the

Edwin Warfield

(Seal)

signatures of the

Gordon T. Atkinson,

(Seal)

Board of Public Works.

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(Seal)

Oswald Tilghman.

Murray Vandiver,

(Deal

Treasurer.

Governor.

Board of Public Works of the State of Maryland.

Comptroller.

Witness as to George W. King Printing Company.

Geo. W. King PrintingCoG. W. King, Pres.

(Seal)

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Baltimore, August 27, 1907.

The Board of Public Works,

Annapolis, Md.

Gentlemen:

In compliance with the provisions of Article 78 of the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, we are pleased to quote you for the printing to be done at the next session of the General Assembly of Md. the sum of ----- \$17990.00

We herewith file our bond.

Yours very truly,

Geo. W. King Prtg. Co.

Gec. W. King, Prest. "

On motion of the Comptroller, seconded by the Treasurer, the latter was instructed to require the Geo. W. King Printing Company the successful bidders for the State printing to execute a new bond for the faithful performance of their contract.

The Board approved the payment by *** Comptroller Atkinson of the following bills:

T. E. Fitzpatrick, plastering arch room,	\$213.78
Mayor, Counselor and Alderman of the City of Annapolis, one third paving Bladen Street,	906.00
Art Metal Construction Co., case in Flag Room,	285.00
Norwich Nickel & Brass Co. 50 stands.	50,00

Secretary Tilghman informed the Board that by direction of Governor Warfield he had begun the preparation of a catalogue of all the pictures and works of Art and historical exhibits in the Museum rooms, the old Senate Chamber and the Executive Chamber, and asked the Board to authorize him to complete this work and to have an edition of this catalogue printed for free distribution to visitors to the State House.

On motion, the Board deferred action on this matter until they could ascertain the probable cost of this work.

The Secretary called the attention of the Board to the Minute Book consisting of over 400 pages of typewritten matter which had been done under his supervision by Mr. Clarence C. Dorsey, for which Mr. Dorsey had received no remuneration. He asked that the Board pay Mr. Dorsey for this work.

Secretary Tilghman then offered his resignation as Secretary of the Board of Public Works to take effect on February 1st,. On motion, his resignation was accepted.

Governor Crothers brought to the attention of the Board the matter of the B. & O. Bridge, stating that some of the people at Port Deposit had asked for a re-hearing of the matter. The Governor stated that he was inclined to grant their request, and the Board named Tuesday, January 28th, 1908, at 10 o'clock a.m. at the Governor's private office, as the time and place for such hearing, and the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. David R. Armstrong and Mr. Hugh L. Bond, Counsel for the B. & O. R. R. Co., of the date of the hearing.

Comptroller Hering advised the Board that there was \$1566.53 to the credit of the Board of Public Works contingent fund available to carry the Board until the first of October next.

The Governor stated that there were certain expenses here-tofore borne by the Board for extraditions and certain other established expenses which he thought the Board should not have to bear out of its Contingent Fund, and recommended that the legislature reimburse the Board for the amount of these bills improperly paid by the Board of Public Works.

On motion of Comptroller Hering the Board adjourned to meet on Tuesday next, January 28th, at 10 o'clock a.m., in the Governor's private office, Annapolis.

Secretary.

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